

House Bill 700 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

To amend an Act establishing the form of government of DeKalb County and fixing the powers and duties of the officers constituting the governing authority of DeKalb County, approved April 9, 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 4304), as amended, so as to provide an exemption for certain constitutional officers regarding the Chief Executive's authority to enforce certain provisions regarding the county budget; to establish rules and regulate purchasing; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

An Act establishing the form of government of DeKalb County and fixing the powers and duties of the officers constituting the governing authority of DeKalb County, approved April 9, 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 4304), as amended, is amended by revising subsection (f) of Section 17 as follows:

"(f) No expenditure of county funds shall be made except in accordance with the county budget, or amendments thereto, adopted by the Commission. The Chief Executive shall enforce compliance with this requirement by all departments, offices, or agencies of the county government, including elected county officers, with the exception of the tax commissioner, clerk of the superior court, district attorney, and sheriff."

**SECTION 2.**

Said Act is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Section 18 as follows:

"(a) The Chief Executive shall establish rules to regulate purchasing for all county departments, offices, and agencies of the county government, with exception of the tax commissioner, clerk of the superior court, district attorney, and sheriff. Except as hereinafter provided, formal sealed bids, after notice of same has been published one time in the official organ of DeKalb County, must be obtained on all purchases exceeding \$50,000.00. Purchases exceeding \$50,000.00 may be made without formal sealed bids

1 from any vendor who, at the time of purchase, has an existing contract or schedule with the  
2 State of Georgia or the federal government if the purchase is made pursuant to the price,  
3 terms, and conditions of said contract and if the county receives all the benefits of such  
4 contract."

5 **SECTION 3.**

6 This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2007.

7 **SECTION 4.**

8 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.